

***Listing of the Claims:***

1-7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) A web services marketplace for providers to offer web services and customers to obtain the web services of the providers, comprising:

an offering component configured to identify offerings of one or more web services and a ~~quality of service related to at least one of the web services~~ provided by one or more web service providers, wherein each of the offerings identify criteria related to the one or more web services; and

a transaction component operable for a customer to obtain ~~the~~ at least one of the one or more web service offerings from the ~~at least one of the one or more web service providers in accordance with the identified criteria quality of service, wherein the quality of service includes at least one of a precision or a timeliness of data obtained from the web service.~~

wherein at least one of the web services providers provides multiple offerings of at least one of the one or more web services with each of the multiple offerings providing a different combination of the criteria related to the one of the one or more web services.

9. (Currently Amended) The web services marketplace of Claim 8, wherein the offering component identifies offerings of a plurality of web services provided by a plurality of web service providers.